

INCREASING OUR ENERGY EFFICIENCY

Hello, this is your Congressman, Michael Burgess. The recent attacks on an oil processing facility in Saudi Arabia could have strained our national energy resources and hurt our growing economy. Thankfully, due to the thoughtful energy policy, we did not have to use our strategic resources.

My energy strategy has always been to evaluate all resources available to our country. By increasing using a mix of fossil fuels, nuclear, and renewables across a variety of sectors, the United States can maintain consistent energy production rather than remaining dependent on energy from a foreign source. In Texas, we know the benefits of this “all-of-the-above” policy with one of the largest natural gas reserves in our country.

In 2015, I supported and voted to end the 40-year-old ban on exporting crude oil. This allowed Texas businesses to compete on a level playing field. Consequently, America is now a leading energy supplier in the world.

Energy efficiency has been another major factor in the stability of the markets. The economy is booming, but energy consumption is down. By using less and producing more, our energy markets have remained stable in the face of international uncertainty.

As your congressman, I will continue to work on finding more ways to increase our nation's energy resilience.

As always, I appreciate your comments and your questions on this issue or any other issue. May God bless you and your family, and as the song says, God bless you Texas.